

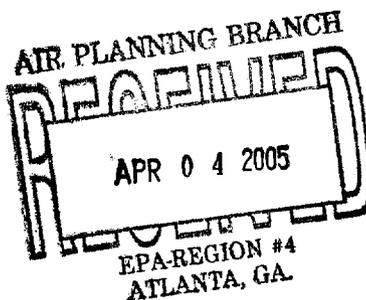
Georgia Department of Natural Resources

Environmental Protection Division • Air Protection Branch

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Noel Holcomb, Commissioner
Carol A. Couch, Ph.D., Director



March 30, 2005

Beverly Bannister
Director
Air, Pesticides, and Toxics Management Division
U.S. EPA, Region 4
161 Forsyth Street, SW
Atlanta, GA 30303-3104

Re: Revised PM2.5 Monitoring Plan

Dear Ms. Bannister:

On December 20, 2004, EPD submitted a revised PM2.5 spatial averaging plan for the Columbus/Phenix City area to U.S. EPA for review and approval. The Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) has submitted a similar revised monitoring plan.

These monitoring plan revisions were the subject of a public hearing held in Columbus, Georgia, on March 17, 2005. No comments were received on the revised monitoring plans. Attached are an affidavit of advertisement of the public notice in the Columbus Ledger-Enquirer and a certificate of public hearing.

In addition, EPD submitted complete, quality assured, certified 2004 PM2.5 data for a number of sites including Columbus, County Health Dept. (Site ID 132150001) and Columbus, Cusetta Rd. School (Site ID 132150011). This data, together with similar data submitted by ADEM for their Phenix City monitor, indicates that the 2002-2004 PM2.5 concentrations for the spatially averaged County Health Dept./Phenix City monitors and the Cusetta Rd. School monitor are in attainment with the PM2.5 NAAQS.

In light of the April 5, 2005, effective date of PM2.5 nonattainment designations, we would appreciate your expedited review and approval of the revised monitoring plan and 2004 PM2.5 data submission for the Columbus monitoring sites.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact me at (404) 363-7016 or Jimmy Johnston at (404)363-7014.

Sincerely,

Ron Methier
Chief
Air Protection Branch

attachments

c: Kay Prince, U.S. EPA
Doug Neeley, U.S. EPA
Jim Kelly
Jimmy Johnston
Susan Zimmer-Dauphine

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State of Georgia
County of Muscogee

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that the legal advertisement has been published in The Columbus Ledger-Enquirer, legal organ for Muscogee County on the following dates:

Feb 15, 2005

Sworn to and subscribed before
me this 14th day of Feb 2005

Notary Public, Muscogee County, Georgia
(My Commission Expires June 21, 2008)

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION
NOTICE OF PROPOSED REVISION TO GEORGIA'S
AIR QUALITY MONITORING NETWORK PLAN
AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS AND PARTIES

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the authority set forth below, the Environmental Protection Division (hereinafter, "EPD") of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources proposes to revise Georgia's Air Quality Monitoring Network Plan (hereinafter, "the proposed monitoring plan revisions"). The proposed monitoring plan revisions provide for spatial averaging of particulate matter concentration data collected at monitors operated by both EPD and the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) within the Columbus Metropolitan Statistical Area.

This notice, together with an exact copy of the proposed monitoring plan revisions, is being provided to all persons who have requested in writing that they be placed on a notification list. The notice and an exact copy of the proposed monitoring plan revisions is available on the internet at <http://environet.dnr.state.ga.us/1>. A copy of this notice, and an exact copy of the proposed monitoring plan revisions may be reviewed during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Georgia Environmental Protection Division, Air Protection Branch, 4244 International Parkway, Suite 120, Atlanta, Georgia, 30354, and at the Bradley Memorial Library, 1120 Bradley Drive, Columbus, Georgia 31906. Copies may also be requested by contacting the Air Protection Branch at 404/363-7000.

To provide the public an opportunity to comment upon and provide input into the proposed monitoring plan revisions, a public hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. on March 17, 2005 in the Library (Room 600) at Columbus Tech, 928 Manchester Expressway, Columbus, Georgia 31904. At the public hearing anyone may present data, make a statement, comment or offer a viewpoint or argument either orally or in writing. Lengthy statements or statements of a considerable technical or economic nature, as well as previously recorded messages, must be submitted in writing for the official record. Oral statements should be concise.

Written comments are welcomed. To ensure their consideration, written comments must be received by close of business on March 17, 2005. Written comments should be addressed to: Chief, Air Protection Branch, 4244 International Parkway, Suite 120, Atlanta, Georgia, 30354.

This notice is issued pursuant to the Georgia Air Quality Act, O.C.G.A. Section 12-9-1 et seq.

For further information, contact the Air Protection Branch at 404/363-7000.
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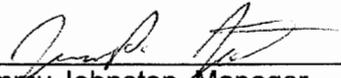
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CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC HEARING

I do hereby certify that a public hearing was held on March 17, 2005, concerning a proposed revision to Georgia's Air Quality Monitoring Network Plan (hereinafter, "the proposed monitoring plan revisions").

A public notice was published in The Columbus Ledger-Enquirer, the legal organ for Muscogee County, on February 15, 2005, providing at least 30 days for review and comments.



Jimmy Johnston, Manager
Planning and Support Program

3/30/2005
Dated: _____


Notary Public

March 30, 2005
Dated: _____

